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The Honorable Kenneth L. Adelman
Director, United States Arms Control
and Disarmament Agency
Washington, D.C. 20451

Dear Ken:

Bill Casey has given me your letter concerning reinitiation of the non-reimbursable rotational assignment of Directorate of Intelligence officers to ACDA.

This program, initiated two years ago, grows out of my concern that rising senior managers in CIA need exposure to the way policy agencies do their business in order to provide those agencies better intelligence support. Because I see this as an important experience for those who will manage our research and analysis program, in arranging these assignments the Directorate of Intelligence provides both the slot and the funding. Key to the program, however, is insuring that the individuals involved, our very best people (normally at the GS-15 level), are assigned to a position on the policy side of the host agency where their substantive expertise can be used but also where they can become familiar with the policy process. [redacted] tour in the Strategic Programs Bureau last year, for example, provided him extensive and useful insight into the arms control policy development and negotiating process.

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Given the nature of the program, I am concerned that a rotational assignment to the Verification Division of the Bureau of Verification and Intelligence would not adequately fulfill the purpose of this program inasmuch as it would seem to involve the DDI officer in departmental intelligence functions.

Perhaps with more information about the assignment under consideration or perhaps identification of an alternative assignment in another ACDA Bureau we might be able to provide a candidate for your consideration.

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I very much appreciate your interest in this program and believe that it serves the long term interests of both CIA and the host agencies, which now include several bureaus at State, the NSC Staff, several elements of the Department of Defense, Treasury and Commerce, OSTP, and even the Federal Reserve. We have provided people to ACDA before and look forward to doing so again.


Sincerely.



Robert M. Gates
Deputy Director for Intelligence

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UNITED STATES ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT AGENCY
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF
THE DIRECTOR

February 28, 1984

Dear Bill:

I would like to reinitiate the very successful rotational assignment of Deputy Director for Intelligence (DDI) analysts to ACDA. The two DDI analysts who served in ACDA during 1982 and 1983 made lasting contributions to our work here and, in turn, gained experience in the arms control policy formulation process that we believe will benefit their career prospects.

An equally important opportunity now exists for a DDI analyst to work with the Verification Division of our Bureau of Verification and Intelligence. This division is responsible for formulating verification policy and dealing with verification issues with respect to existing and draft treaties in support of the Administration's commitment to achieve effectively verifiable arms control treaties. The individuals who staff this division work closely with the other ACDA bureaus and in the interagency process. The individual will obtain direct knowledge of and experience in the policy process and the use of intelligence in that process.

I am sensitive to the concerns raised in earlier correspondence between you and Gene Rostow that DDI analysts neither serve as intelligence officers nor occupy a position which could complicate the existing DCI-ACDA working relationship on intelligence and compliance issues. The opportunity now existing in the verification policy area would meet both of these conditions.

In light of our continuing budgetary limitations and the value of these exchanges, I hope you will agree to reinitiate the program on a non-reimbursable basis.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ken", is written over the typed name.

Kenneth L. Adelman

The Honorable
William J. Casey
Director, Central Intelligence Agency